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SUBJECT: APC'S IN ENTEBBE - CAN WE HITCH A PLANE

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- 1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. THIRTY-SIX OF THE FIFTY U.S. APC'S LEASED TO UNAMIR FOR THE GHANAIAN BATTALION ARE STILL SITTING AT OLD ENTEBBE AIRPORT. THE TRANSPORT CONTRACT THAT UNAMIR ARRANGED TO TAKE THEM TO KIGALI HAS WORKED CONFIDENTIAL

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PAGE 02 KAMPAL 06026 290801Z SLOWLY AND INEFFICIENTLY. FOURTEEN APC'S WERE TRUCKED DOWN TO KIGALI ON TUESDAY.

- 3. WE HAVE U.S. PLANES SITTING AT ENTERBE, SUSPENDED FROM RELIEF FLIGHTS UNTIL FURTHER LOGISTICS ARE WORKED OUT.
- 4. WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE FOR THE U.S. MILITARY TO FLY THE APC'S TO KIGALI? THIS WOULD ELIMINATE THE POTENTIAL EMBARRASSMENT OF THE APC'S REMAINING IN

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UGANDA AFTER THE INTENSIVE EFFORT TO GET THEM OUT HERE, AND THE NEGATIVE PUBLICITY OF HAVING SO MUCH AIRLIFT CAPACITY SITTING UNUSED AT ENTERBE.

5. THE PRESS IS ARRIVING IN DROVES. THE IDLE APC'S AND IDLE PLANES ARE TWO STORIES WE WOULD LIKE TO AVOID. CARSON

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